

# On the occurrence of *Hemiphractus scutatus* (Spix, 1824) (Anura: Hemiphractidae) in eastern Amazonia

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Abstract.—Hemiphractus Wagler, 1828 is part of Hemiphractidae Peters, 1862, a family that harbors species of frogs characterized by the deposition of eggs on the females' dorsum. Both the genus Hemiphractus and the species Hemiphractus scutatus (Spix, 1824) are only known to the Andean mountain range and western half of the upper Amazon Basin. Herein, we provide the first records of H. scutatus from the eastern Amazonia (middle Tapajós River region, Pará State, Brazil), which extends its geographic range ca. 1,000 km from nearest known occurrence record and are among the lowest known levels for the species elevational range. Comparisons of morphologic and molecular data with available voucher specimens and published information on the species revealed variation that we interpret as intraspecific polymorphism. Phylogenetic analysis of a fragment of the mitochondrial gene 16S recovered the newly discovered specimens as most closely related to samples from Peru. These results add new evidence in the known biogeographic patterns of the genus and species, and ongoing plans to build hydroelectric plants in the middle Tapajós River region can negatively affect this unique population.

**Keywords.** Biogeography, conservation, geographic range, marsupial frogs, morphology, Pará State, phylogenetic relationships

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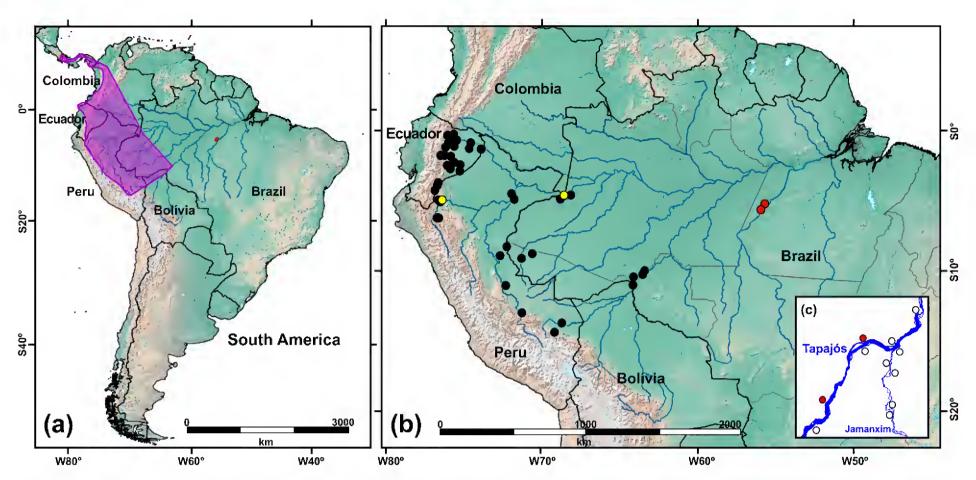
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# Introduction

According to the latest phylogenetic revisions (Castroviejo-Fisher et al. 2015; Duellman 2015), the family Hemiphractidae Peters, 1862 is considered monophyletic and include the genera Cryptobatrachus Ruthven, 1916 (six species), Gastrotheca Fitzinger, 1843 (70 species), Stefania Rivero, 1968 (19 species), Flectonotus Miranda-Ribeiro, 1926 (two species), Fritziana Mello-Leitão, 1937 (five species), and *Hemiphractus* (six species). Members of this family inhabit humid Neotropical forests in different elevational zones: Central America, Chocó, Andes, mountainous Caribbean coast, the island of Trinidad and Tobago, Amazonia, and the Atlantic Forest (Castroviejo-Fisher et al. 2015; Duellman 2015). These frogs share a unique reproductive mechanism, with deposition of eggs on the females' dorsum (Duellman 2015). In Amazonia, this characteristic seems to be relevant to define hemiphractid geographic ranges, as they are more diverse and abundant in the west, which may be a result of ideal climatic conditions for its life cycle in this region (Bernal and Lynch 2013; Duellman 2015), such as the lower seasonality and higher annual rainfall (Sombroek 2001).

The species of the genus *Hemiphractus* are terrestrial and arboreal frogs with well-modified and ornamented skulls (Trueb 1974), which are distributed throughout Central America, East of Andes and in the extreme western Amazon basin (Frost 2017): H. bubalus (Jimenez la Espada, 1870), H. fasciatus Peters, 1862, H. helioi Sheil, and Mendelson III, 2001, H. johnsoni (Noble, 1917), H. proboscideus (Jimenez de la Espada, 1870), and H. scutatus (Spix, 1824). The latter is the type species of the genus and inhabits a wide elevational range along the western Amazon Basin and Andean mountain range, in Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador, and Brazil (Spix 1824; Myers and Carvalho 1945; Trueb 1974; Duellman and Lynch 1988; Rodríguez and Duellman 1994; Ruiz-Carranza et al. 1996; Sheil and Mendelson III 2001; Lehr 2001; Moravec et al. 2002; Coloma et al. 2004; Duellman 2005;

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**Fig. 1.** Known distribution of **(a)** genus *Hemiphractus* (in purple) and **(b)** *Hemiphractus scutatus* (dots), highlighting new locality of occurrence in middle Tapajós River region, Pará State, Brazil (red dots) and localities of sequences included in molecular analysis (yellow dots). The region of new records is zoomed in (c), showing the sampling sites where *H. scutatus* was present (red) and not recorded (white).

Lynch 2005; Cisneros-Heredia 2006; Glaw and Franzen 2006; Muñoz-Saravia 2008; Souza 2009; von May et al. 2009; Beirne and Whitworth 2011; Bernarde et al. 2011; Catenazzi et al. 2013; Ortiz 2013; Almendáriz et al. 2014; Castroviejo-Fisher et al. 2015; Frost 2017; GBIF 2017; Rainforest Conservation Fund 2017; SpeciesLink 2017).

Herein we present the first records of *Hemiphractus scutatus* from the middle Tapajós River region, Pará State, Brazil. These records are the easternmost known localities of occurrence reported for this species and the genus, and are among the lowest known elevational levels for the species distribution. We also present a phylogenetic tree based on mtDNA gene *16S* for some *Hemi-phractus* species, and discuss on the biogeographic implications of these records and conservation of this population.

## **Material and Methods**

The amphibian survey was conducted on the middle Tapajós River region, Pará State, Brazil. This river is one of the largest tributaries of the Amazon River (Sioli 1968) and is located in eastern Amazonia. The climate in this region have a high seasonality (Sombroek 2001), with average annual temperature of 26 °C and total annual rainfall exceeding 2,400 mm (Wang et al. 2017), with driest months from June to August (Alvares et al. 2013). We survey for amphibians in 11 sampling sites with four km long, installed in both banks of the Tapajós River and its tributary the Jamanxim River. Each sampling site covered humid primary *Terra Firme* forests, which does not suffer the seasonal riverine flood pulse effect (Junk et al. 1989) and riparian forests (Fig. 1). We used complemen-

tary sampling methods (Heyer et al. 1994), such as pitfall traps (600 trap nights) and diurnal and nocturnal active searches (more than 340 days). Six field campaigns were conducted along July 2012 and November 2013.

Aiming to better understand the relevance of these records in the general context of the geographic and elevational distribution of the species, we survey for its occurrence data available in the literature (Spix 1824; Myers and Carvalho 1945; Trueb 1974; Duellman and Lynch 1988; Rodríguez and Duellman 1994; Ruiz-Carranza et al. 1996; Sheil and Mendelson III 2001; Lehr 2001; Moravec et al. 2002; Coloma et al. 2004; Duellman 2005; Lynch 2005; Cisneros-Heredia 2006; Glaw and Franzen 2006; Muñoz-Saravia 2008; Souza 2009; von May et al. 2009; Beirne and Whitworth 2011; Bernarde et al. 2011; Catenazzi et al. 2013; Almendáriz et al. 2014; Castroviejo-Fisher et al. 2015; Frost 2017; Rainforest Conservation Fund 2017; AP Lima, pers. comm.) and online databases (Ortiz 2013; GBIF 2017; SpeciesLink 2017), mostly with associated vouchers in zoological collections, obtaining a total of 77 georeferenced localities of occurrence.

# Morphologic data survey

We analyzed morphologic data traditionally used in the taxonomy of the genus (Trueb 1974), obtaining qualitative characters of external morphology and quantitative characters using a caliper to the nearest 0.1 mm: snoutvent length (SVL); forearm length from proximal edge of palmar tubercle to outer edge of flexed elbow (FAL); hand length from proximal edge of palmar tubercle to tip of finger III (HA); tibia length from proximal edge of

Fig. 2. Specimens of *Hemiphractus scutatus* from middle Tapajós River region, Pará State, Brazil. (a) Female, 76.1 mm SVL, INPA-H38116; (b) Male, 57.8 mm SVL, INPA-H38117; (c) Female, 61.7 mm SVL, INPA-H38118.

flexed knee to heel (TL); foot length from proximal edge of inner metatarsal tubercle to tip of Toe IV (FL); head width at level of angle of jaw (HW); head length from angle of jaw to tip of snout (HL); eye diameter (ED); internarial distance (IN); diameter of tympanum (DT); interorbital distance (IO) and thigh length (THL). We compared the measurements with information available from the literature and voucher specimens deposited at the Collection of Amphibians and Reptiles (INPA-H) of the Instituto Nacional de Pesquisas da Amazônia (INPA), Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil (Appendix S1), where the new specimens were also deposited (under accession numbers INPA-H 38116–38118).

# Molecular data protocols

We extracted the genomic DNA from two specimens liver tissue samples conserved in absolute ethanol using the phenol-chloroform protocol (Sambrook and Russel 2001). The 16S mtDNA gene, a standard marker for amphibians (Vences et al. 2012), was amplified via the Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR). The PCR amplification used a mix with final volume of 25 µl: 4 µl of 1.25 M dNTPs, 2.5 μl of 10X amplification buffer (75mM Tris HCl, 50 mM KCl, 20 mM (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), 1.0  $\mu$ l of 50 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 1.0 μl of DNA in a concentration of 250 ng/μl, 0.25 µl of each primer (16Sar and 16Sbr - Palumbi et al. 1991) in a concentration of 200 ng/ul, 0.25 µl of Taq DNA polymerase 5 U/µL and 15.75 µL of ddH<sub>2</sub>O. Reaction conditions had an initial heating step at 94 °C for five minutes, 30 cycles of denaturation at 94 °C for 30 s, primer annealing at 50 °C for 60 s, and extension at 72 °C for 120 s, followed by a final extension at 72 °C for seven minutes. PCR products were purified with ExoSAP-IT (USB Corporation) and submitted to a sequencing reaction following BigDye Terminator Cycle Sequencing Kit (Applied Biosystems, EUA) protocols. The sequences were obtained in the automated sequencer ABI PRISM 3500 (Applied Biosystems, EUA) and deposited in Gen-Bank (accession numbers MG011478, MG011479).

The sequences were aligned using the MUSCLE algorithm, implemented in MEGA 6.06 (Tamura et al. 2013) and corrected manually, obtaining a 524 bp alignment. Using the same software, we generated a maximum likelihood phylogenetic tree, constructed through a general

time reversible model with a gamma distribution of rate variation (GTR+G), selected as the best DNA evolution model for the alignment by Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC), as well as to calculate two inter and intraspecific genetic distances: uncorrected-pairwise and Kimura-2-Parameter (K2P) (Kimura 1980). Additional sequences were obtained in GenBank, including the two distinct lineages of *H. scutatus* identified by Castroviejo-Fisher et al. (2015) (Table 3). The statistical support for the tree nodes was estimated by bootstrapping (5,000 replicates).

#### Results

#### New records of Hemiphractus scutatus

We found three specimens of *H. scutatus* in two of the 11 sampling sites (Figs. 1–3). It was a rare species in the sampling, recorded at a ratio of one specimen in about each 300 days of sampling, while the most abundant syntopic terrestrial frogs were from genera *Adenomera* Steindachner, 1867, *Pristimantis* Jiménez de la Espada, 1870, *Allobates* Zimmermann and Zimmermann, 1988, and *Rhinella* Fitzinger, 1826, with 2,700 specimens recorded in this same sampling effort. The three specimens of *H. scutatus* were only recorded by the active searches, and exclusively in *Terra Firme* forests (Fig. 4).

On 28 September 2012 one female voucher specimen was collected by D. Pavan close to a large tree and under a palm leaf, on the left bank of Tapajós River, at 19:15 h (76.1 mm SVL; 05°02'S, 56°53'W, 62 m above mean sea level, hereafter referred as asl). On 16 October 2012 a male voucher specimen was collected on the same riverbank by LJCL Moraes hidden inside the leaflitter at 21:05 h, distant ca. 51 km in straight line from the first record (57.8 mm SVL; 04°39'S, 56°37'W, 60 m asl). On 28 April 2013 a second female voucher specimen was collected also hidden inside the leaf-litter on the same riverbank by J. Cassimiro at 21:30 h (61.7 mm SVL; 04°40'S, 56°37'W, 83 m asl), distant ca. 50 km in straight line from the first record and 430 m from the second record. No evidence of reproductive activity or gaping posture (Trueb 1974) was observed.

These three records represent the easternmost known localities of occurrence of *H. scutatus*, extending the geo-



**Fig. 3.** Dorsal and ventral views of voucher specimens of *Hemiphractus scutatus* from middle Tapajós River region, Pará State, Brazil. (a) Female, 76.1 mm SVL, INPA-H38116; (b) Male, 57.8 mm SVL, INPA-H38117. Scale bar = 20 mm.

graphic range of the species and the genus *Hemiphractus*. They are distant ca. 1,000–1,500 km from the previously known easternmost points of the species occurrence, in Rondônia (INPA-H 15398, 15399) and Amazonas States, Brazil (GBIF 2017; SpeciesLink 2017) (Fig. 1). Considering only the Amazon Basin at South of Amazon River, these new records even extend to the East the geographic range of the family Hemiphractidae. Furthermore, the elevation level in which these specimens were recorded are among the lowest known elevation for the species (60, 62, and 83 m asl; Fig. 5), and two of them (60 and 62 m asl) also extend downwards the known elevational range of this species, since there are no documented records of individuals below 70 m asl.

# Morphologic variation and molecular relationships

The morphologic data confirms the identification of our specimens in accordance to the literature (Trueb 1974) and voucher specimens. Qualitative characters include the triangular head, canthus rostralis rounded in section; tympanum large and vertically ovoid; oblique rows of tubercles on dorsal surfaces of forearm and hind limb (less pronounced in female specimens); small triangular fleshy proboscis, dorsoventrally flattened, on tip of

snout; eyelids granular with one (female specimens) or three (male specimen) prominent fleshy conical tubercles; single bony projection at the angle of the jaw; slightly enlarged tubercles at the knee and small tubercles at calcaneum (divergent from the absence of calcar projections reported by Trueb 1974 and Rodríguez and Duellman 1994); fingers and toes with vestigial adhesive discs, well-developed round subarticular tubercles and basal webbing; thenar tubercle elliptical and outer palmar tubercle diffuse, flat and cordiform; no evidence of nuptial pads in male specimen; toes also with welldeveloped round subarticular tubercles and about onefourth webbed; inner metatarsal tubercle well-developed and elliptical, and outer metatarsal tubercle indistinct; shagreened skin on dorsum and granular on flanks, abdomen and ventral surfaces of thighs.

Dorsal coloration in life varies from reddish brown (INPA-H38116 and 38118) to pale tan background with dark mottling (INPA-H38117), with two dark vertebral spots; dark suborbital marks from the lower margin of the eye expanding posteroventrally but not reaching the lip (more pronounced in INPA-H38117 than in INPA-H38116 and 38118) and scattered dark spots in the tympanic region. Ventrally, gular coloration varies from uniformly brown (INPA-H38116 and 38118) to mottled (INPA-H38117), with a pale mid-ventral stripe reach-



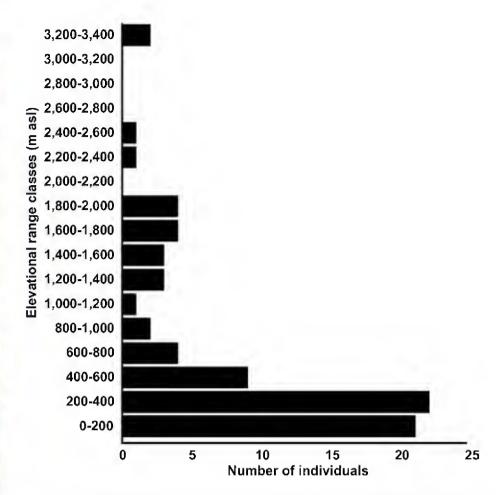
**Fig. 4.** Aerial **(a)** and inside **(b)** view of the *Hemiphractus scutatus* habitat (*Terra Firme* forest) in middle Tapajós River region, Pará State, Brazil, also showing the BR-230 highway.

ing the pectoral region; same gular color reaches the pectoral region, and becomes less pigmented posteriorly. A finely dark venate pattern covers the flank areas above the forelimb; forelimbs and hind limbs varies from uniformly brown (INPA-H38116 and 38118) to tan (INPA-H38117), with dark transverse bands, reaching the dorsal surface of hands (more evident in INPA-H38117); iris bronze and darker ventrally, with a longitudinally crossing reddish area and pupil horizontal. Regarding quantitative characters, most of the measurements of the middle Tapajós River specimens agree with the known morphometric range of the species (Table 1), also showing the sexual dimorphism in body size. The only divergence is a small HW compared to SVL in female INPA-H38116.

The 16S mtDNA tree for Hemiphractus species shows, as the results presented by Castroviejo-Fisher et al. (2015), two distinct lineages of H. scutatus. The middle Tapajós River population is more related to the lineage from Peru (Figs. 6, 7), as the sequences have a higher genetic similarity (more than 97%) compared to sequence from Colombia, near the country's border with Brazil (93%) (Fig. 7).

# **Discussion**

The presence of possible cryptic taxa under the name *H*. *scutatus* was suggested based on the results of a phylogeny



**Fig. 5.** Variation in number of individuals of *Hemiphractus scutatus* recorded along its known elevational range (60–3,300 m above mean sea level). The specimens from middle Tapajós River region, Pará State, Brazil are recorded among the lowest known elevation for the species.

of molecular and morphologic data (Castroviejo-Fisher et al. 2015), since two genetically distant intraspecific lineages were found. Although we initially worked with the hypothesis that specimens from middle Tapajós River were a new taxon, the morphologic and molecular analysis readily rejected this. Regarding the morphology, despite the possibility of strong variation due to large geographic distance to known distribution area, most of the qualitative and quantitative data of the specimens from middle Tapajós River were inside the known range for the species (Trueb 1974; Rodríguez and Duellman 1994) and other voucher specimens (Table 1). The slightly divergences in colors, shapes, and morphometric characters between this specimens and the known for the species may be part of intraspecific variation. Regarding the molecular data, despite the high geographic distance between the populations from middle Tapajós River and Peru (more than 2,300 km), there is a low genetic distance between the sequences from these regions (between 2% and 3%). As Castroviejo-Fisher et al. (2015) highlighted, the genetic distance between the sequences from Colombia and Peru, and now including the distance of Tapajós sequences, are high and may indicate cryptic speciation (more than 7%). As overall similarity in external morphology and pronounced morphologic variation are common events inside the genus *Hemiphractus* (Trueb 1974), further broader studies and integrative taxonomic revisions may indicate the extent of morphologic and molecular variability of this species and reveal the taxonomic status of these genetically distant lineages.

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**Table 1.** Morphologic measurements (mm) of *Hemiphractus scutatus* specimens recorded in middle Tapajós River region (highlighted), compared to literature data and other voucher specimens from herpetological collection of Instituto Nacional de Pesquisas da Amazônia, Brazil (INPA-H). Literature:  ${}^{a}$ Trueb 1974, n = 8 males and 15 females;  ${}^{b}$ Rodríguez and Duellman 1994.

Measurements	Literature	INPA-H38117	Literature	INPA-H15399	INPA-H15398	INPA-H38116	INPA-H38118
	Male	Male	Female	Female	Female	Female	Female
SVL	36.9-62 <sup>a,b</sup>	57.8	60.4–81 <sup>a,b</sup>	62.5	73.6	76.1	61.7
FAL	-	12.7	-	12.2	15.7	16.4	12.9
НА	-	16.3	-	18	21.3	19	17.6
TL	15.5–27.5a	25.1	23.7–38.3a	21.2	34.5	32	27.6
FL	-	26,2	-	25.5	32	30.1	26.7
HL	17.5–30 <sup>a</sup>	28.3	25.7–42.9ª	29	33	36,3	31
HW	20.8-37.5a	34.2	34.4-52.8a	36	43.3	41.6	37.5
ED	-	6	-	5.6	7.3	7	5.6
IN	-	4	-	3.8	4.5	4.8	4
DT	-	5.2	-	3.3	4.9	4.7	3.7
IO	-	14.6	-	14.4	17.6	17.8	17.3
THL	-	28.2	-	29.7	38.2	34.4	29.2
TL/SVL (%)	42.3–48 <sup>a</sup>	43	39.3–47.6a	34	47	42	45
HL/SVL (%)	47.6-52.3a	49	42.7-53.3a	46	45	48	50
HW/SVL (%)	56.6–65.5 <sup>a</sup>	59	57.1–65.7ª	58	59	55	61

# Biogeography

After more than 190 years since the original description of *H. scutatus* (Spix 1824) we recorded this species in the eastern Amazonia, emphasizing the lack of knowledge about the general biogeographic patterns of Amazonian amphibians, which can be mainly generated by sampling difficulties, especially in cases of secretive species. Large forested regions in the Amazonia remain unexplored and have the potential to harbor new species or expanding species distributions (Azevedo-Ramos and Galatti 2002). Therefore, the recognition of broader biogeographic patterns to Amazonian amphibians, as areas of endemism historically recognized in the biome to other vertebrates (e.g., Cracraft 1985; Boubli et al. 2014) depends on the continued expansion of the sampling effort and new analitical techniques that is currently being held in the biome.

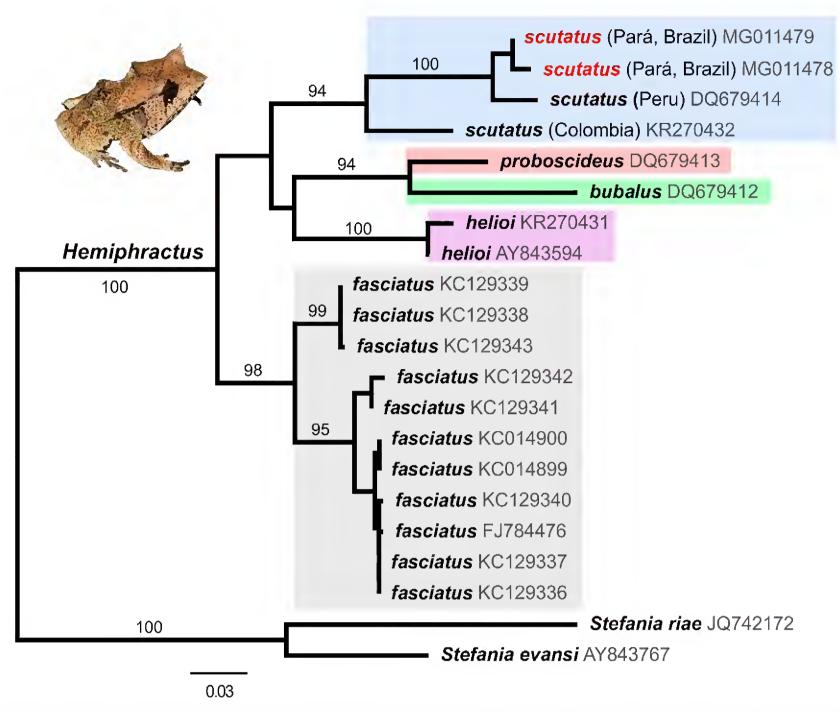
Our new records for *H. scutatus* bring new information to a biogeographic idea historically recognized on the low representation of Hemiphractidae in the eastern Amazonia, probably due to increased seasonality in this region (Sombroek 2001; Duellman 2015). Species of this family that have greater environmental plasticity, as appears to be the case of *H. scutatus* (the species of the genus with the widest known geographic and elevational range) may reach the preserved forests in this region and establish viable populations, although in less abundance in relation to the more climatically constant (Wang et al. 2017) and humid environments of western Amazonia.

Regarding elevational occurrence, although *H. scutatus* has already been recorded in high elevations at the Andean mountain range (GBIF 2017), a greater number of individuals is known for the Amazonian lowlands, and

67% of 77 published localities of occurrence are below 600 m asl (Fig. 5). This wide elevational range reinforce the high environmental plasticity, as the life-history strategies of amphibian populations in high and low-lands may drastically differ (Morrison and Hero 2003). The knowledge on the drivers of elevational variation in the distribution of Amazonian amphibians is still incipi-

**Table 2.** Sequences from GenBank with accession numbers. In bold are sequences generated from this study.

Taxon	16S		
Hemiphractus bubalus	DQ679412		
Hemiphractus fasciatus	KC014899		
Hemiphractus fasciatus	KC014900		
Hemiphractus fasciatus	KC129336		
Hemiphractus fasciatus	KC129337		
Hemiphractus fasciatus	KC129338		
Hemiphractus fasciatus	KC129339		
Hemiphractus fasciatus	KC129340		
Hemiphractus fasciatus	KC129341		
Hemiphractus fasciatus	KC129342		
Hemiphractus fasciatus	KC129343		
Hemiphractus helioi	AY843594		
Hemiphractus helioi	KR270431		
Hemiphractus proboscideus	DQ679413		
Hemiphractus scutatus	DQ679414		
Hemiphractus scutatus	KR270432		
Hemiphractus scutatus	MG011478		
Hemiphractus scutatus	MG011479		



**Fig. 6.** Maximum likelihood phylogenetic tree of *Hemiphractus* species based in a fragment of the *16S* mtDNA gene, with GenBank accession numbers. Only bootstrap values >80% are shown (5,000 replicates). For *Hemiphractus scutatus*, sample localities are in parentheses and specimens from middle Tapajós River region, Pará State, Brazil are highlighted.

ent (Siqueira and Rocha 2013) and the *H. scutatus* may be a target taxon for future studies testing this gradient.

#### Conservation

Hemiphractus scutatus is considered as "Least Concern" by IUCN due to its wide distribution and presumably large and stable populations (Coloma et al. 2004). However, this species is rarely recorded and have poorly known population dynamics to define its conservation status, that can even vary along its wide geographic and elevational range. As the Amazon region has suffered increasing anthropic impact through the advance of cities and highways, forests fragmentation and habitat loss (Fearnside 2015), the *H. scutatus* may have declining populations in most of its distribution, since they are dependents of undisturbed forests (Rodríguez and Duellman 1994).

The specimens of *H. scutatus* from middle Tapajós River region may represent a unique population, recorded near and within a federal conservation unit (Parque Nacional da Amazônia), same pattern already described for Peruvian populations (von May et al. 2009), reinforc-

ing the need to maintain large protected forest areas in the Amazonia and adequate land-use on the unprotected (Laurance et al. 2001). In addition to these threats, the biome has been target of dam construction in its larger rivers (Latrubesse et al. 2017), which can negatively affect the biodiversity of the surrounding forests (Moraes et al. 2016). The population of *H. scutatus* from Tapajós River is in the region affected by the construction of a large hydroelectric plant, part of a complex planned for the basin (Fearnside 2015), thus the implementation of this project may affect the viability of this population.

# Conclusion

The discovery of the first specimens of *H. scutatus* from eastern Amazonia sheds new insights into ecology, biogeography, taxonomy, and conservation of these remarkable frogs. To better understand the population status and the total distribution range of this taxon in Amazonia, we need more long-term field studies, with standardized protocols, complementary sampling and broader approaches.

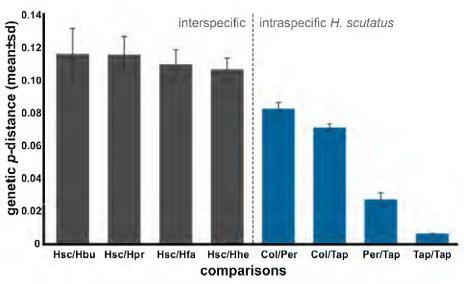


Fig. 7. Inter and intraspecific genetic distances (mean ± standard deviation of pairwise and K2P distances) calculated for a fragment of 16S mtDNA gene of Hemiphractus species and populations. (Hsc) Hemiphractus scutatus; (Hpr) Hemiphractus proboscideus (Hfa) Hemiphractus fasciatus; (Hhe) Hemiphractus helioi; (Col) Colombia; (Per) Peru; (Tap) middle Tapajós River region, Pará State, Brazil. GenBank accession numbers of sequences are in Table 2.

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#### Appendix S1.

Specimens examined. *Hemiphractus scutatus* (n = 5): BRAZIL: Rondônia: Abunã esquerda, Porto Velho (65°20'S 09°31'W), INPA-H15398, Jirau esquerda, Porto Velho, INPA-H15399 (64°44'S 09°20'W); Pará: Left bank of middle Tapajós River, Itaituba (05°02'S 56°53'W), INPA-H38116, Left bank of middle Tapajós River, Itaituba (04°39'S 56°37'W), INPA-H38117. Left bank of middle Tapajós River, Itaituba (04°40'S 56°37'W), INPA-H38118. INPA-H = Collection of Amphibians and Reptiles of the Instituto Nacional de Pesquisas da Amazônia, Manaus, AM, Brazil.



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